

CLAIM AMENDMENT

Please **AMEND** claims 1, 6, 8 and 13, as follows.

Please **ADD** claims 15-19, as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display, comprising:
a substrate;
a black matrix formed on the substrate;
a plurality of color filters formed on the substrate and neighboring each other, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion placed on the black matrix, wherein the peripheral portion is tapered as advancing from an interface with the flat central portion toward the neighboring color filters and thinner than the flat central portion; and
a common electrode formed on the plurality of color filters.

2. (Previously Amended) The liquid crystal display of claim 1, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter neighboring and overlapping the first color filter over the black matrix.

3. (Previously Amended) The liquid crystal display of claim 2, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion of the first color filter.

4. (Previously Amended) The liquid crystal display of claim 2, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion and the central portion of the first color filter.

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5. (Previously Amended) The liquid crystal display of claim 1, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter spaced apart from the first color filter with a predetermined distance therebetween.

6. (Currently Amended) A method for fabricating a liquid crystal display, the method comprising the steps of:

forming a black matrix on a substrate;

sequentially forming a plurality of color filters neighboring each other on the substrate, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion placed on the black matrix, wherein the peripheral portion is tapered as advancing from an interface with the flat central portion toward the neighboring color filters and thinner than the central portion; and

forming a common electrode on the plurality of color filters.

7. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the step of sequentially forming the plurality of color filters comprises the steps of:

forming a color filter material over the substrate; and

patterning the color filter material by using a mask having a transparent pattern, a semitransparent pattern and an opaque pattern,

wherein the semitransparent pattern is used for forming the peripheral portion of each color filter.

8. (Previously Amended) A liquid crystal display, comprising:

a substrate;

a plurality of gate lines formed on the substrate;

a plurality of data lines crossing over the gate lines;

a plurality of pixel regions defined by the plurality of gate lines and the plurality of data lines;

a thin film transistor formed at each pixel region;

a plurality of color filters, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion placed on the data lines and thinner than the central portion;

a plurality of contact holes formed in the plurality of color filters for exposing the drain electrodes; and

a plurality of pixel electrodes connected to the drain electrodes through the contact holes.

9. (Previously Amended) The liquid crystal display of claim 8, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter neighboring and overlapping the first color filter over the data lines.

10. (Previously Amended) The liquid crystal display of claim 9, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion of the first color filter.

11. (Previously Amended) The liquid crystal display of claim 10, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion and the central portion of the first color filter.

12. (Previously Amended) The liquid crystal display of claim 8, wherein the second color filter is spaced apart from the first color filter with a predetermined distance therebetween.

13. (Currently Amended) A method for fabricating a liquid crystal display, the method comprising the steps of:

forming a plurality of gate lines on a substrate;

forming a plurality of data lines on the substrate, wherein the plurality of gate lines and the plurality of data lines define a plurality of pixel regions;

forming a thin film transistor in each pixel regions;

sequentially forming a plurality of color filters, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion placed on the data lines and thinner than the central portion;

forming a plurality of contact holes in the plurality of color filters to expose drain electrodes of the thin film transistors; and

forming a plurality of pixel electrodes connected to the drain electrodes through the contact holes.

14. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the step of sequentially forming the plurality of color filters comprises the steps of:

forming a color filter material over the substrate; and

patterning the color filter material by using a mask having a transparent pattern, a semitransparent pattern and an opaque pattern,

wherein the semitransparent pattern is used for forming the peripheral portion of each color filter.

15. (Newly Added) A liquid crystal display, comprising:
- a substrate;
 - a black matrix formed on the substrate;
 - a plurality of color filters formed on the substrate and neighboring each other, each color filter having a flat central portion and a peripheral portion interfacing with the flat central portion and entirely overlapped by the black matrix, wherein the peripheral portion is tapered as advancing from an interface with the flat central portion toward the neighboring color filters; and
 - a common electrode formed on the plurality of color filters.
16. (Newly Added) The liquid crystal display of claim 15, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter neighboring and overlapping the first color filter over the black matrix.
17. (Newly Added) The liquid crystal display of claim 16, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion of the first color filter.
18. (Newly Added) The liquid crystal display of claim 16, wherein the peripheral portion of the second color filter overlaps the peripheral portion and the central portion of the first color filter.

19. (Newly Added) The liquid crystal display of claim 15, wherein the plurality of color filters comprise a first color filter and a second color filter spaced apart from the first color filter with a predetermined distance therebetween.